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RE: Docket # 98N-1038 "Irradiation in the production processing and handling of food"

Dear Sir or Madame:

I am writing to support the notion that irradiated food continue to be prominently labeled with the irradiation symbol on the front of any package containing irradiated food. I find the proposal to "bury" the irradiation information in the fine print of the ingredients section objectionable.

If you want to further the cause of irradiated food then use your resources to convince us that it is safe not figure out a way to hide the fact the food is irradiated.

Sincerely,

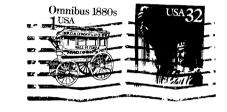
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